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INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT STATISTICS, QUEENSLAND, DECEMBER QUARTER 1967

Details of industrial accidents are extracted from claims for workers' compensation finalised or becoming three years old during the quarter. They do not refer to accidents actually occurring within the period.

The Workers' Compensation Department of the Queensland State Government Insurance Office is the only body authorised under the provisions of "The Workers' Compensation Acts, 1916 to 1966" to issue industrial accident policies in Queensland. Claims made on this Department are therefore the sole source of information on compensative industrial accidents.

However, while all employers must insure their employees, not all industrial accidents are covered since, under the Compensation Acts, self-employed persons are not obliged to insure and hence a number of accidents to workers in primary industry, the professions, etc. are not recorded. Similarly, members of the Police Force and the Commonwealth Public Service, including the P.M.G.'s Department, are excluded by the provisions of the Act and coverage is thereby restricted in the administrative and communications industries.

By definition, the scope of the collection is limited to include only those injured employees who lost at least a full shift from work as a result of the accident. This publication excludes particulars of accidents occurring during recess periods or on the journey to or from work and of occupational diseases which are published annually only.

Definitions

An Industrial Accident is defined as any compensated work injury or a compensated occupational disease causing death or permanent disability, or the temporary disability of the injured person during the entire interval corresponding to the hours of his or her regular shift on any one or more calendar days subsequent to the date of the injury. Details of work injuries only are given in the following tables.

Fatal injuries are so classified regardless of the time intervening between injury and death, providing that death occurs within three years of the intimation of the claim.

Permanent Disability is an injury or disease which does not cause death but which results in the complete loss or loss of use of any member or part of a member of the body, or any permanent impairment of functions of the body or part thereof.

Temporary Disability is any injury which does not result in death or permanent impairment, but which renders the injured person unable to perform a regularly established job during the entire time interval corresponding to the hours of a full regular shift.

Agency Related to the Accident is the agency (i.e., work conditions, production equipment, or persons, animals, etc.) which because of its hazardous nature or condition precipitated the event designated as the accident.

Type of Accident is the event which directly resulted in the injury (i.e., the manner in which contact was made between the injured person and the object or substance causing the injury).

Duration of Temporary Disability refers to the calendar period of incapacity (not to the actual working period lost).

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Table 1 - Work Injuries: Occupation Group by Extent of Disability and Duration of Temporary Disability,
December Quarter 1967

Occupation Group	All In- juries	Extent of Disability			Duration of Temporary Disability							
		Fatal	Per- manent	Tem- porary	1 Day to 7 Days	Over 7 to 14 Days	Over 2 to 4 Weeks	1 to 6 Months	Over 6 Months	Total	Average	
Males												
TOTAL	8,203	16	176	8,011	3,234	2,159	1,369	1,202	47	146,461	18.3	
Professional, Managerial, and Clerical Workers ..	109	1	7	101	44	22	16	19	-	2,100	20.8	
Salesmen	109	-	4	105	35	24	16	28	2	2,801	26.7	
Farmers, Fishermen, and Timber-getters	762	3	32	727	155	221	158	184	9	19,444	26.7	
Miners and Quarrymen	219	1	9	209	70	68	32	34	5	4,659	22.3	
Road Transport Workers	447	3	9	435	150	114	95	71	5	9,470	21.8	
Electricians and Related Electrical Workers	134	-	3	131	61	30	24	16	-	1,880	14.4	
Metal Tradesmen, Process Workers	1,760	1	24	1,735	957	399	219	157	3	21,367	12.3	
Carpenters and Other Wood-working Occupations	684	-	25	659	254	162	125	116	2	12,424	18.9	
Painters and Decorators	93	-	3	90	36	24	9	21	-	1,676	18.6	
Bricklayers and Other Construction Workers	366	1	4	361	133	97	66	62	3	7,538	20.9	
Food and Beverage Workers	695	-	7	688	300	225	102	60	1	9,192	13.4	
Excavating, Lifting Equipment Operators	300	3	7	290	114	67	50	57	2	5,815	20.1	
Waterside Workers, Freight Handlers	476	-	2	474	189	126	81	76	2	9,584	20.2	
Labourers n.e.i.	1,414	2	24	1,388	497	421	250	210	10	27,706	20.0	
Service, Sport, and Recreation Workers	181	-	3	178	62	44	35	36	1	3,783	21.3	
Other Occupations	454	1	13	440	177	115	91	55	2	7,022	16.0	
Females												
TOTAL	727	-	13	714	268	226	107	107	6	14,426	20.2	
Professional, Managerial, and Clerical Workers	69	-	1	68	23	16	12	16	1	1,893	27.8	
Sales Workers	62	-	-	62	28	19	8	6	1	1,185	19.1	
Tailors, Cutters, Machinists, etc.	24	-	-	24	12	5	3	4	-	409	17.0	
Textile, Footwear, and Other Leather Workers	22	-	-	22	10	8	2	2	-	249	11.3	
Metal Process Workers	41	-	2	39	13	13	6	7	-	883	22.6	
Food and Beverage Workers	120	-	1	119	58	36	18	7	-	1,340	11.3	
Other Production Process Workers n.e.i.	44	-	2	42	17	11	8	6	-	642	15.3	
Packers, Labellers, etc.	135	-	5	130	40	54	22	14	-	2,157	16.6	
Service Industry and Recreation Workers	181	-	2	179	59	57	23	36	4	4,969	27.8	
Other Occupations	29	-	-	29	8	7	5	9	-	699	24.1	

Table 2 - Work Injuries: Occupation Group by Nature of Injury, December Quarter 1967

Occupation Group	All Injuries	Nature of Injury								
		Fractures, Dislocations	Sprains, Strains	Internal Injuries	Amputations	Lacerations, Open Wounds	Superficial Injuries	Contusions, Bruising	Burns, Scalds	Other Injuries
Males										
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>8,203</u>	<u>976</u>	<u>2,181</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>97</u>	<u>2,224</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>1,309</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>434</u>
Professional, Managerial, and Clerical Workers	109	20	24	2	3	26	2	19	5	8
Salesmen	109	18	29	-	3	23	1	18	3	14
Farmers, Fishermen, and Timber-getters	762	146	159	5	13	258	33	95	11	42
Miners and Quarrymen	219	35	47	3	5	60	11	49	2	7
Road Transport Workers	447	79	171	3	3	65	16	82	6	22
Electricians and Related Electrical Workers	134	19	40	-	1	30	7	20	10	7
Metal Tradesmen, Process Workers	1,760	165	403	3	14	411	237	264	151	112
Carpenters and Other Wood-working Occupations	684	80	181	2	16	213	49	105	7	31
Painters and Decorators	93	18	27	1	1	16	4	18	4	4
Bricklayers and Other Construction Workers	366	39	115	1	3	79	28	71	11	19
Food and Beverage Workers	695	30	104	-	3	399	39	70	28	22
Excavating, Lifting Equipment Operators	300	45	83	-	4	60	23	54	14	17
Waterside Workers, Freight Handlers	476	47	189	-	1	84	15	98	9	33
Labourers n.e.i.	1,414	165	383	3	16	386	111	238	52	60
Service, Sport, and Recreation Workers	181	19	74	1	2	24	5	25	11	20
Other Occupations	454	51	152	-	9	90	28	83	25	16
Females										
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>244</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>24</u>
Professional, Managerial, and Clerical Workers	69	17	26	-	-	4	1	12	5	4
Sales Workers	62	6	26	-	-	12	1	14	2	1
Tailors, Cutters, Machinists, etc.	24	3	4	-	-	11	-	4	1	1
Textile, Footwear, and Other Leather Workers	22	2	7	-	-	5	-	7	-	1
Metal Process Workers	41	3	12	-	1	12	4	7	1	1
Food and Beverage Workers	120	3	34	-	-	44	13	18	4	4
Other Production Process Workers n.e.i.	44	2	17	-	2	5	3	12	-	3
Packers, Labellers, etc.	135	13	45	-	1	34	9	24	6	3
Service Industry and Recreation Workers	181	24	63	-	1	33	4	31	20	5
Other Occupations	29	5	10	-	-	5	-	6	2	1

Table 3 - Work Injuries: Industry Group by Type of Accident, December Quarter 1967

Industry Group	All Injuries	Type of Accident									
		Falls of Persons	Struck by Falling Objects	Striking or Struck by Objects	Caught In or between Objects	Over-exertion or Strenuous Movement	Extreme Temperatures	Electric Current	Harmful Substances or Radiation	Other Types	
Males											
TOTAL	8,203	1,569	892	2,954	665	1,517	247	5	145	209	
Primary Production	757	157	60	330	74	94	10	-	7	25	
Mining and Quarrying	286	49	68	76	31	56	2	-	-	4	
Cement, Bricks, Glass, etc.	202	33	38	59	22	37	5	-	3	5	
Metal Refining and Products	536	48	67	205	47	97	33	2	26	11	
Machinery & General Engineering	922	127	87	374	66	156	60	-	40	12	
Meat and Fish Processing	777	97	40	490	26	83	27	1	3	10	
Other Food & Drink Processing	444	109	45	121	34	78	31	-	14	12	
Sawmilling and Wood Products	403	62	57	149	56	70	2	-	-	7	
Preparation of Skins and Leather Goods Manufacturing	40	5	2	15	3	9	-	-	2	4	
Rubber Goods Manufacturing	40	5	2	13	2	14	2	-	-	2	
Other Manufacturing	195	31	13	50	29	48	8	-	6	10	
Electricity and Gas	148	34	18	34	11	38	3	1	3	6	
Water Supply and Sewerage	120	34	13	30	10	26	1	-	2	4	
Building Construction, Repairs	788	187	94	251	35	169	13	1	17	21	
Other Construction Works	886	190	105	292	79	172	17	-	12	19	
Road Transport	289	77	27	68	32	62	5	-	-	18	
Other Transport and Storage	455	135	63	91	58	93	12	-	1	2	
Commerce and Finance	673	117	77	231	46	159	11	-	7	25	
Community and Business Services	120	33	9	39	-	32	3	-	1	3	
Amusement and Personal Services	110	33	7	33	4	22	2	-	1	8	
Other Industries	12	6	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	
Females											
TOTAL	727	190	34	231	54	135	28	1	9	45	
Primary Production	20	7	1	3	1	5	-	-	1	2	
Metal Refining and Products, General Engineering	46	3	5	18	7	7	-	-	-	6	
Textile Manufacturing	16	4	1	6	3	2	-	-	-	-	
Clothing Manufacturing	26	4	1	12	4	5	-	-	-	-	
Meat and Fish Processing	140	18	5	68	7	26	1	-	1	14	
Jam Making, Fruit and Vegetable Canning	50	15	-	15	3	1	2	-	2	12	
Other Food and Drink Processing	54	9	4	16	9	11	3	-	-	2	
Printing, Packaging, etc. Manufacturing	26	3	1	8	6	6	-	-	-	2	
Other Manufacturing	30	6	2	7	5	9	-	-	-	1	
Commerce and Finance	112	40	6	34	2	21	5	1	2	1	
Health, Hospitals, etc.	72	27	2	7	4	24	5	-	1	2	
Other Community etc. Services	21	9	1	6	1	3	-	-	1	-	
Hotels, Boarding Houses, Restaurants, etc.	78	29	4	21	1	10	11	-	1	1	
Amusement and Other Personal Services	17	5	1	4	-	4	1	-	-	2	
Other Industries	19	11	-	6	1	1	-	-	-	-	

Table 4 - Work Injuries: Industry Group by Agency Related to Accident, December Quarter 1967

Industry Group	All Injuries	Agency Related to Accident									
		Metal and Woodworking Machines	Other Machines and Installed Equipment	Lifting Equipment	Hand Tools, Moveable Equipment	Means of Transport	Materials, Substances, and Radiation	Indoor Working Environment	Outdoor and Underground Environment	Other Agencies	
Males											
TOTAL	8,203	343	438	121	1,817	862	241	511	756	3,114	
Primary Production	757	8	59	7	164	71	8	10	126	304	
Mining and Quarrying	286	2	32	3	49	39	8	8	65	80	
Cement, Bricks, Glass, etc.	202	3	22	3	25	17	4	24	4	100	
Metal Refining and Products	536	74	11	14	135	14	25	32	6	225	
Machinery & General Engineering	922	109	23	14	282	57	43	63	25	306	
Meat and Fish Processing	777	1	17	5	339	30	21	90	12	262	
Other Food and Drink Processing	444	11	37	5	82	34	25	69	13	168	
Sawmilling and Wood Products	403	77	4	6	32	27	3	25	19	210	
Preparation of Skins and Leather Goods Manufacturing	40	-	2	-	12	3	2	6	2	13	
Rubber Goods Manufacturing	40	-	7	-	6	3	-	5	-	19	
Other Manufacturing	195	9	38	2	21	13	12	18	4	78	
Electricity and Gas	148	2	14	1	28	14	7	10	19	53	
Water Supply and Sewerage	120	1	4	2	10	10	4	2	37	50	
Building Construction & Repairs	788	21	28	6	224	35	23	41	119	291	
Other Construction Works	886	10	69	16	201	109	20	9	155	297	
Road Transport	289	1	9	11	20	101	7	10	22	108	
Other Transport and Storage	455	1	3	11	34	174	7	19	58	148	
Commerce and Finance	673	12	38	14	121	92	16	43	33	304	
Community and Business Services	120	1	8	1	12	8	5	16	16	53	
Amusement and Personal Services	110	-	12	-	18	9	1	9	19	42	
Other Industries	12	-	1	-	2	2	-	2	2	3	
Females											
TOTAL	727	10	80	3	106	33	26	161	26	282	
Primary Production	20	-	2	-	1	-	1	4	2	10	
Metal Refining and Products, General Engineering	46	9	1	-	7	1	1	5	-	22	
Textile Manufacturing	16	-	5	-	-	3	-	5	-	3	
Clothing Manufacturing	26	-	9	-	4	-	-	1	1	11	
Meat and Fish Processing	140	-	12	1	45	2	2	15	1	62	
Jam Making, Fruit and Vegetable Canning	50	-	4	-	7	3	2	12	1	21	
Other Food and Drink Processing	54	-	13	-	3	4	2	8	1	23	
Printing, Packaging, etc. Manufacturing	26	-	7	-	3	5	-	2	-	9	
Other Manufacturing	30	1	6	1	3	2	-	3	-	14	
Commerce and Finance	112	-	9	-	12	3	5	37	4	42	
Health, Hospitals, etc.	72	-	3	-	4	1	3	29	3	29	
Other Community etc. Services	21	-	3	-	2	2	1	4	5	4	
Hotels, Boarding Houses, Cafes	78	-	5	-	9	1	8	25	7	23	
Amusement, Other Personal Serv.	17	-	1	1	3	2	1	4	-	5	
Other Industries	19	-	-	-	3	4	-	7	1	4	

Table 5 - Work Injuries: Type of Accident by Nature of Injury, December Quarter 1967

Type of Accident	All Injuries	Nature of Injury									
		Fractures, Dislocations	Sprains, Strains	Internal Injuries	Amputations	Lacerations, Open Wounds	Superficial Injuries	Contusions, Bruising	Burns, Scalds	Other Injuries	
Total Persons											
TOTAL	8,930	1,054	2,425	24	102	2,389	644	1,444	390	458	
Falls of Persons ..	1,759	335	771	8	2	155	45	351	5	87	
Struck by Falling Objects	926	225	54	3	5	228	41	340	10	20	
Stepping on, Striking or Struck by Objects ..	3,185	221	130	3	30	1,752	508	460	40	41	
Caught in or between Objects	719	154	40	2	62	200	12	241	1	7	
Over-exertion or Strenuous Movement	1,652	80	1,378	5	-	2	-	14	-	173	
Exposure to or Contact with Extreme Temperature ..	275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	272	3	
Exposure to or Contact with Electric Current ..	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Exposure to or Contact with Harmful Substances ..	154	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	61	92	
Traffic Accidents ..	89	31	5	3	2	16	4	14	1	13	
Other Types ..	165	8	47	-	1	36	33	24	-	16	